

**REMARKS**

Applicant's attorney wishes to thank Examiner Nashed for the courtesies extended during the telephone interview of January 30 and February 5, 2004. The present amendment is submitted to incorporate the amendments suggested by Examiner Nashed.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance, and favorable action thereon is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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